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For: A HOLDER FOR USE IN SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE MANUFACTURING AND  
BIO-MEDICAL SAMPLE PROCESSING

**INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT**  
**UNDER 37 CFR §§ 1.97 and 1.98**

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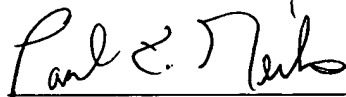
Sir:

In accordance with the duty of disclosure under 37 CFR §1.56, Applicant hereby notifies the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office of the documents which are listed on the attached PTO-1449 form which are all the references of record in parent application No. 09/658,185. Applicant is not submitting duplicate copies of these references but requests that they be listed on the face of any patent granted on the above application. (See 37 CFR §1.98(d)). Copies of any cited copending applications, if not previously submitted, are being submitted herewith.

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Respectfully submitted,

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